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BOY SCOUT WEEK TO BE OBSERVED IN BAY ST. LOUIS APRIL 4-10

Extensive Program Prepared—Speakers Will Address Audiences Daily—Parade Monday Afternoon From Courthouse at 3:45.

All of next week will be "Boy Scout Week" in this section and an elaborate program covering the entire period will be presented under auspices of citizens interested in the boy of today who will be the man of tomorrow and in civic and moral welfare.

Opening of the week's program will be marked by each pulpit in the city, recommending and blessing the work on Sunday April 4.

Monday April 4 exhibits of Scout craft work will be exhibited in many of the store windows about the city and on the afternoon of that day and date an assembly at the county courthouse will be the preliminary for a street parade. Members Parade Scout Committees in cars. Scouts and Scout masters and band marching.

Itinerary of parade, starting at 3:45, includes Main to Second street; Second to Union to Beach Boulevard; along the front to Carroll avenue and intersection Second street; disband at Central School grounds.

Members of all committees are requested to meet at court house at 3:30 o'clock sharp with boy and girl scouts. And are asked to go in cars. Members of music also requested to be on hand at that time.

During the week there will be Scout talks in every school. At the Rotary Club luncheon-meeting Wednesday noon and other public meetings and assemblies. Children particularly requested to ask their parents to accompany them to hear the talks—of interest to adults and boys and girls as well. School Committee will arrange time of speaking and to be announced in due time.

Following-named compose the district and official committees for the week and each member is requested to give the cause all time and attention possible. It will prove a valuable contribution and asset to the city and the boys and girls as well.

District Committees:

District Committee, chairman, Rev. Wm. J. Leech; District Commissioner: Very Rev. A. J. Gmelch.

Troop Organization Committee, Ed. J. Arceneaux.

Finance Committee: Henry W. Ossinach.

Leadership Training: Alden Maufay.

Court of Honor: Jas. M. Terrell.

Activities: E. A. Lang.

Publicity: L. S. Elliott.

Readings: Frank French.

Sea Scouting: Scoutmasters, Ed. Jones, Frank Wittmann, Jr., Fred Fayard.

Special Committees For Scout Week

General and Finances: Leo. W. Seal Chairman; Chas. G. Moreau, W. J. Gex, A. G. Favre, Chas. B. Murphy, G. Y. Blaize, W. L. Bourgeois, H. Gray Perkins, Jos. O. Mauffray, R. J. Ladner, Rene de Montuzin, Laurent Pickson, Jos. R. Scharrif, Mrs. J. B. Goldman, George Bourgeois, C. M. Burgdahl.

For the Churches: Rev. A. J. Gmelch, chairman; Rev. A. J. Boyle, Rev. W. S. Allen, Rev. Warwick Alken.

Publicity: Chas. G. Moreau.

Speakers: Father Leo F. Fahey.

Messrs. W. J. Gex, Emile J. Gex, Robt. L. Genin, Carl Marshall, Brother William, Clayton Rand, Mrs. C. McDonald, Mrs. L. W. Jacobs.

Picture Shows: Mrs. P. Gaspard, Miss Geraldine Ames.

In the Schools: Prof. S. J. Ingram, chairman; Mrs. W. Stockstill, Miss Ethel Sylvester, Prof. L. M. Richardson.

On Scout Work Exhibits: Edward I. Jones, John Sofide, Alden Maufay, Chairman; Fred Fayard, George Bourgeois, Capt. C. M. Burgdahl, Captain J. W. Pearls.

On Scout Week Parade: Fred Fayard, Ed. Jones, Captain J. W. Pearls, L. S. Elliott, Brother William, George Bourgeois, Capt. C. M. Burgdahl, Captain J. W. Pearls.

The boy is a community problem. Properly guided, he is our biggest asset; neglected, many become a national menace. Statistics show most of the number brought to justice for commission of crimes are boys many not out of their teens. Of this class many who belong to scout troops are conspicuous by their absence.

Scout work is an outstanding activity to promote boy welfare. It has been said, "Tell me the character of young men of today and I will foretell the type of civilization of nations in the days to come."

It is well for every man and woman to get behind scouting in order that at some time none will feel the neglect that might produce a Public Enemy No. 1.

GENEROUS GIFTS TO SHELVES OF COUNTY LIBRARY

Mrs. Stokes of Greenville Donates Liberally—Waverland and Bay Residents Contribute

The library had as visitors last week Mrs. Anna Stokes of Greenville, and Mrs. George H. Gray of New Haven, Conn. Mrs. Stokes, who has compiled an anthology of verse called "Open Door to Poetry" was very much interested in the library and its progress during the last three years, and she donated to it five children's books and an autographed copy of the anthology. She and Mrs. Gray enjoyed, with Miss Crawford, a trip to the branch library at Flat Top.

Mrs. A. G. Rossi, of Waveland, gave to the library a donation of thirty-one books of adult fiction which included the following titles: "Case Books of Sherlock Holmes," by Conan A. Doyle; "Sapho," by Daudet and "Manon Lescaut" by Prevost, in the same volume; "The Origin of Species," by Charles Darwin; "The Cardinal's Mistress" by Benito Mussolini, and "Private Life of Helen of Troy" by John Eskline.

Mrs. Heidi D. Elliott donated the book, "Gerald, a Portrait" by Daphne Du Maurier, which is a biography

MRS. C. A. BENJAMIN PASSES AWAY AFTER YEARS OF ILLNESS

Laid to Rest in St. Mary's Cemetery Saturday Afternoon—Has Catholic Ceremony.

After long years of illness, Mrs. Charles A. Benjamin passed away at her home in Citizen street Good Friday morning at 9:30 o'clock. Funeral ceremony was held Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock from Fahey's Funeral Home in Union Street and interment at St. Mary's cemetery.

Many friends and acquaintances attended the last rites, at which Rev. Leo F. Fahey officiated, and the last resting place was covered with many flowers.

The deceased, born Miss Catherine Diehl, was a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, and daughter of the late Jacob Diehl and Catherine Hile Diehl, and a resident of Bay St. Louis for the past twenty-five years. She is survived by her husband.

Mrs. Benjamin was well known. She was an active church worker for many years, most active adherent to the faith and engaged in all outside activities. As a member of the local branch of St. Margaret's Daughters she was a splendid worker, never shirking a duty and always striving to accomplish the maximum amount of good. As a member of this organization she was an outstanding character. This with her many other deeds made for her a deserving and heavenly heritage.

She had been at the local hospital for several weeks prior to her demise. She went to her heavenly reward during the sacred days of Holy Week.

Securing funds is a matter of negotiation and Messrs. Perkins and Ingram spent considerable time and effort in procuring the "O. K." in the matter of further construction. The gentlemen were informed that before further funds would be released for construction of the second unit that the first would have to be completed. That is the temporary walls north and south of the gym (as temporary walls) would have to be finished—plastered on the interior and the third stucco (outside) coat over the scratch surface be applied. This agreed the gentlemen proceeded home to the Board of Mayor and City Commissioners, working with the Board of School Trustees in advisory capacity, and set out to do their part—of procuring an executive contracting party, which the city is to pay. The balance of material supplied by WPA. And only labor may be procured from parties on relief.

This work is now in progress and is being rushed to completion, two weeks time the expected period in which to do. This done, the local authorities will report and every effort will be exerted to procure the funds necessary to complete the second unit of four rooms—on the north side.

As the WPA set-up will cease to exist by limitation June 30, the matter will be speeded considerably and the city is most active in the premises. Commissioner Perkins has taken several trips to the Capital City with Supt. Ingram and has given the matter both his official and personal time and attention. A visit to the gymnasium reveals workers are active and spending completion of both temporary walls within and without.

A special meeting of the Board of School Trustees Tuesday evening was held to further help the cause.

SEEKING MORE WPA MONIES

CITY AND SCHOOL AUTHORITIES NEGOTIATING FOR FUNDS TO BUILD CLASS ROOMS.

City Commissioner H. Grady Perkins, representing the City of Bay St. Louis, and Prof. S. J. Ingram, superintendent of city schools, recently visited Works Progress Administration headquarters at Jackson in quest of release of allocated federal funds for the completion of the second unit of Bay Central School improvements which comprise four additional class rooms.

The project is divided into three units, the gymnasium, which is practically finished, four class rooms to be built to the north side and an additional four class rooms to the south wing of the gym.

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SOIL CONSERVATION IS VITAL FACTOR TO EVERY FARMER IN HANCOCK CO.

ONE HUNDRED FARMERS IN YEAR '36 REAPED BENEFIT FROM FEDERAL PROJECT—MORE ARE ASKED BY COUNTY AGENT TO AVAIL OF BENEFITS.

ONE TIME RESIDENT BAY ST. LOUIS PASSES AT HARBESEN, FLA.

ALEX SPIERS, 66, BURIED AT OLD HOME IN PICAYUNE—SURVIVED BY MANY RELATIVES.

Funeral rites for Alex Spiers, 66 years old, pioneer merchant and hotel operator of Picayune, were conducted at Picayune in the chapel of McDonald funeral home at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, the Rev. R. K. Corder, pastor of the First Baptist church of Picayune, officiating, assisted by Rev. J. O. Ware, pastor of the Picayune Methodist Episcopal church.

Interment was in Palestine cemetery. Pallbearers were Dr. J. Q. Landrum, Allen Gipson, Johnnie Fornea, George Spiers, Will Spiers and Robert Spiers.

Mr. Spiers died at his home in Harbeson City, Fla., after being seriously ill only a few days. He was born February 18, 1871, in Pearl River county, near Picayune, being a son of Alex Spiers, Sr. and Mrs. Arctic Jones Spiers, pioneer settlers of South Mississippi. Forty-five years ago, in August Mr. Spiers married Miss Alice Richburg. They conducted a store here for a number of years. They moved to Uniform, Ala., residing there for seven years, and then in Bay St. Louis for four years. They returned to Picayune for a while and during the past two years had been residing in Harbeson City, Fla., operating a hotel.

Besides his widow, Mrs. Mrs. Alice Richburg Spiers, Mr. Spiers is survived by four children, Miss Hazel Spiers, Smackover, Ark.; Mrs. Alber Warner, Covington, La.; Clevera Spiers, Harbeson City and Steadie Spiers, Mobile, Ala.; two brothers, J. M. Spiers of Lumberton and the Rev. A. Jack Spiers, and one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Fornea Wheat, Picayune.

ORGANIZE WAR ON CANCER

MRS. W. L. BOURGEOIS HEADS FIELD WORKERS FOR CONTROL OF DREADED MALADY

Mrs. (Dr.) Emma Gay Biloxi resident, Mississippi State Commander of the drive for control of cancer, under national auspices, accompanied by Mrs. Matthews, held a called meeting at the Engman Group Assembly Hall on the evening of Thursday, March 25—last Thursday, and presented a lecture relative to cancer and its control, accompanied by illustrated slides, War on Cancer, Development of Cancer.

A drive for membership was conducted thru the week of March 21-27 and reported as successful. The drive was county-wide. Bay St. Louis boasts of nineteen members with the potential promise of ten more.

Mrs. Bourgeois as president for Hancock and her associates have set to work unremittingly and plan to produce the utmost good, seeking to contribute to the cause of control in fullest measure. Mrs. Bourgeois is to be commended for the manner in which she has engaged in the work and is sponsoring the cause.

—The choir for Easter High Mass at the church of Our Lady of the Gulf was composed of Brothers of the Order of the Sacred Heart, St. Stanislaus College, led by Bro. Romuald, presenting an excellent rendition of Mass of the Good Shepherd, sublime composition by the Rev. R. J. Sorin, pastor of the church of Our Lady of Good Hope at DeLisle, Miss., with a national reputation as a composer of sacred music. The Rev. A. J. Gmelch, pastor, was celebrant, and the Rev. Leo F. Fahey and Rev. Father Patrick Moran sub-deacons of the solemn high mass. The service will be remembered for its beauty and solemnity and the excellence of the choir.

THANKS FOR HOSPITALITY.

The Bay Central P. T. A. wishes to thank Mr. and Mrs. Hubert de Ben and Dr. and Mrs. A. P. Smith for the hospitality they extended members of the visiting boxing team during the tournament last week.

Farmers to plant more acreage for crops this year.

THREE CENT POSTAGE

The law which requires three cents letter mail postage instead of two cents will expire next June, but the Post Office Department insists that it must be continued because it enables the Postal Service to pay its own way.

SOIL CONSERVING AND SOIL BUILDING HANCOCK PAYMENTS

Total Amounts Paid Farmers for 1936, \$1,360.46;
To Date \$2,182.13.

Soil conserving and soil building payments totaling \$1,360.46 have been made to the farmers of Hancock county under the 1936 agricultural conservation program, County Agent John A. Bozeman announced today.

This raised the amount of benefit payments made to the farmers of this county since the New Deal farm program in 1933 to a total of \$2,182.13.

At Jackson, T. M. Patterson, administrative officer in charge, AAA, announced that checks totaling \$1,339.00 were sent to farmers of the state during the past week alone. This made a total of \$8,537.85 paid to farmers of the state under the 1936 program and a grand total of \$62,870.85 in payments to Mississippi producers since the farm program was inaugurated in 1933.

In addition to the thousands of dollars in benefit payments farmers of the county have received for some time under the 1937 program as the best way to continue to get satisfactory prices for cotton, benefit payments from the government, conserve and improve soil fertility, and develop a more profitable and permanent agriculture.

State Extension Director E. H.

White has issued a special statement urging all farmers to support the 1937 farm program as "the safest course to follow."

STANISLAUS SENIORS TO PRESENT SPLENDID PLAY SUNDAY-MONDAY

Two Evenings' Presentation To Mark Annual Production at Local College.

Under personal direction of Bro. Alexis, seniors of St. Stanislaus College have been rehearsing for some time the play, "Friday the 13th," an unusual presentation of thrills and dramatic climaxes that will engage the interest of the audience from beginning to end.

It has been quite a long time since the college dramatic club of the Senior Division has presented one of their plays for which the college is well known and for which the public eagerly looks.

So splendid the play and the presentation well worth while that it will be produced both on Sunday and Monday evenings, April 2 and 3, respectively, beginning at 8 o'clock sharp.

Price of admission is only 35 cents for adults. Children 25 cents.

NOTICE METHODISTS

Services for Sunday, April 4, 1937 in Bay St. Louis Methodist Church 10 A. M. Church School. Morning Sermon at 11 A. M., subject, "Shall I Help or Hinder The Gospel of Christ?" League meets at 5 P. M.

Evening service at 7:30 P. M. subject, "We Must Meet God, Prepare Now." Children's Division. Week Day meeting at 3 P. M. Wednesday Prayer Meeting at 7:30 P. M. Wed. Brother Sells will close his Lecture Course at our church next Friday evening, April 2nd with the 7 P. M. lecture. The course is being well attended and I feel will be a great help to us. Be sure to attend all these lectures as you can. Meeting each evening at 7 P. M. Let's not think of the success of Easter services in terms of the numbers who were received into the church, or the numbers who took part in the communion, but may we try and see that the Spirit of the Risen Lord has first place in our hearts and lives from now on as we bear in our bodies the marks of his services.

Andrew J. Boyles, Pastor.

New Orleans ruling allows TVA to sell power in Georgia.

Permanent isolation urged for incurable defectives.

ROTARY CLUB MEMBERS SEE SPECIAL FILM AND HEAR HOSPITAL SPEAKER

Hospital For Cripples at Memphis Is Subject of Address—Operated Under and Supported Through Rotary's Community Service Over Three States.

KOHLER CAR IN CRASH AT BRIDGE BEACH INTERSECTION</h

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SIT-DOWN STRIKES DANGEROUS.

THAT the sit-down strike has introduced a new and dangerous weapon into labor warfare cannot be disputed. In view of the epidemic of such strikes that has followed the original it appears that public opinion in the United States must soon crystallize and express itself.

The seizure of other people's property by dissatisfied laborers is a serious matter. If permitted to continue it will not be long before every dissident group will undertake similar mass seizures and property rights will vanish. That the American people contemplate this eventuality, or that they will permit it to happen, is not to be contended.

As a general rule, The Echo is inclined to support organized labor's efforts to improve the conditions of the working people of the United States. It is even willing to make allowances for the exuberant action of men and women, fighting their economic battles against adverse odds, but, even after doing so, we cannot give a blanket endorsement to the tactics that have been evolved in the sit-down strike.

It is plain to see that if legitimate unions are accorded the right to seize property of others the illegitimate labor organizations, of the racketeer type, will also use the same weapon. There is no way for the owner of property to determine whether a sit-down strike is directed by workers, or by criminals, gangsters and racketeers, who desire to take advantage of the unlawful possession of property.

Sooner or later there will arise a demand for government power to effectively deal with sit-down strikes, as well as other labor troubles. The President of the United States is on record in favor of governmental powers to compel the mutual observance of labor contracts by employee and employer alike. This would do away with the necessity of resorts to force and put the government in the business of an arbiter of disputes between capital and labor, with the idea that the interest of the general public come first and should be first served.

Every community has public-spirited citizens who generously give their time to the betterment of their neighborhood.

Buying at home is a good way to make the community prosperous, whether you believe it or not.

HOW TO CLEAN-UP THE MOVIES.

EVERY now and then, for various reasons, the makers of the movies are denounced and very often, we are inclined to agree with the criticisms made.

However, E. L. Kuykendall, of Columbus, Miss., president of a theatre owners association, and whose column in the Jackson Daily News is rich in thought and philosophy, says that people who "wanted the movies purified seem to be staying away from clean classics in droves." He insists that the public will get what it asks for in films "but it has to do something more than say the word on the lecture platform."

Mr. Kuykendall thinks that the movies have been cleaned up, but declares that one of the most beautiful pictures of this era, which "won awards all over the country and Europe, actually lost money hand over fist." The film to which he refers is "The Informer." He declares that "Romeo and Juliet" and "A Midsummer Night's Dream" have lost and are losing money for their exhibitors.

The point that this theater man brings home is that if you want clean moving pictures you should patronize them and if you want to discourage bad ones stay away from them. This ought to be easy for the public.

Just by way of being hasty, we hint that local citizens who figured out income taxes last week end grumbled over their taxes, haven't seen any taxes, yet.

The use of ordinary courtesy on the highways might some day save your life; why not practice it?

WWL RADIO BROADCASTING FROM THE COAST.

A NOTEWORTHY gesture to the Mississippi Gulf Coast is the establishment of a remote control station, located at Gulfport, by Radio Station WWL, Loyola University, at New Orleans.

Two programs are broadcast daily, 8:45 a. m. and 11 o'clock p. m. Announcing ten cities, Waveland, Bay St. Louis, Pass Christian, Long Beach, Gulfport, Mississippi City, Biloxi, Ocean Springs, Moss Point and Pascagoula, and "historic" Ship Island, preceding every broadcast. A sketch, either historical or a word painting is presented of each locality and on some broadcasts the entire Coast as whole is the subject treated. The Coast advertised as a recreational and industrial region. A musical program is interspersed.

The Coast station has a regular organized force and is entirely separate from New Orleans, save for the sponsorship and broadcasting facilities.

If every resident of Bay St. Louis would improve the appearance of his or her premises the general benefit would be astounding. Set the example!

MISSISSIPPI OF TODAY.

DIRECTOR Ed Lipscomb of the Mississippi Advertising Commission has recently issued large poster sheets, showing releases of what might be termed "Jewels of Memory Regarding Mississippi." Some of the true stories concerning our State that Mr. Lipscomb tells in pictures are:

That Mississippi today has more young men and women in college in proportion to white population than any other state.

That the world's largest cotton plantation is in the Mississippi Delta. It is the Scott Plantation and contains 35,000 acres.

That Calhoun county, Mississippi, leads all counties in the United States in the production and sale of Lespedeza seed.

That every radio produced by every major manufacturer in the United States is tested with equipment made at Greenwood, Miss.

That 80 per cent of the Nation's supply of shrimp is caught, packed and shipped by Mississippians.

That from 1930 to 1937, drillers brought in 135 producing gas wells in the Jackson-Rankin gas area, with a combined capacity over three billion cubic feet per day, and that Jackson has the lowest gas rate in the world.

That Mississippi State College for Women is the oldest and one of the largest state-supported schools for women in the United States.

That the Crystal Springs-Hazlehurst trucking area ships more tomatoes than any other city of their size in the world.

That the first Calf Club in the United States was organized in Hinds and Madison counties, Mississippi.

That the G. M. & N. Railroad through Mississippi was financed through the sale of a novel written by Col W. C. Faulkner, of this state.

That Mississippi holds the world-wide, all time record for cotton production—10 bales of long staple cotton from three acres.

That the only factory in the world, making felt from pine straw, is located at Hattiesburg. That the Nation's largest fibre board plant is located at Laurel, Miss.

That the largest floral establishment in the South is located at Columbus.

That the largest stone, marble and granite industry is the South is located at Columbus. That the Tupelo Garment Co., is one of the largest exclusive manufacturers of work shirts in the United States.

MANY AVENUES OF DEVELOPMENT.

RESIDENTS of Bay St. Louis are interested in its growth and development but most of us give little thought to the type of development that we encourage.

There are citizens interested in only one phase of growth, that measured by the dollar. They consider a town something to brag about when it gets more income, and ignore practically all other phases of improvement that might be possible. A new industry is something to talk about but few other developments rate anything.

While every section should have a balance between its agriculture and industrial activity and the establishment of this ratio is important there are factors in any part of the world that are vital to the successful growth and development of a city or country that are not measured in dollars. These relate to the cultural development of the people and, in the long run, they are the most important.

Contrary to the average idea the development of cultural matters does not require a great amount of money. There are hundreds of ways in which any citizen, for example, can contribute to the improvement of social and cultural levels here. All that is needed is the will to improve conditions and a desire to speed the development. Many of these contributions relate to the life of children, whose rights are seldom seriously considered even by thinking people.

Boy Scout Week is at hand. Bay St. Louis will present active daily program in interest of the cause. This is one phase of growing children's lives. We may help speed the goal of success aimed and thereby contribute to the avenues of development.

A SUBLIME PRAYER

HERE is a gem for one's scrap book. The beautiful and fitting thoughts were uttered by the Rev. James Shera Montgomery, chaplain of the House of Representatives, opening its session with his prayer on the morning following the terrible disaster of the New London (Texas) school where the lives of some five hundred children were lost, including that of others.

The prayer is reported by the Associated Press and appeared on the front page of the New Orleans Times-Picayune, March 20.

Thou Who canst fill with comfort broken hearts, broken loves and broken lives, be Thou the Angel of Consolation in that sorely stricken district in our Southland. In their deepest sorrow and saddest bereavement, unveil Thy face in every home where tragedy is so deep and overwhelming.

O, speak, Mighty Life, and let in the morning of hope and peace. Thou Blessed Christ, Whose love for little children was so divine that it would not let them go, take them and keep them in the white light of the Father's throne. Their shadow was love, their language was music, and their steps were a benediction.

In the face of such disaster and an occasion without parallel in this country, there is seemingly nothing one can say. But the Rev. Montgomery has uttered not only a prose poem but thought not to be challenged.

USELESS AND SENSELESS.

THE exchange of epithets between the Mayor of New York City and certain German citizens, with the Atlantic ocean between the speakers, is not very pleasing to most Americans, regardless of what they may happen to think of Nazi Germany.

So far as we know there is no excuse for any American official, whether State or Municipal, to express abusive opinions of foreign leaders. If these officers will attend to their own business and run their bailiwicks efficiently in the interests of the local taxpayers, they will be doing all that is expected.

INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS OF THE MOVIES AND FILM FOLK IN HOLLYWOOD

FOR the first year since 1929 the gross receipts of the film industry this year were over \$1,000,000,000. Taxes paid were about \$350,000,000.

Elizabeth Allen is on her way to London for the coronation.

Franciska Gaal, a Hungarian actress, has been selected by Cecil B. DeMille as the feminine lead in "The Buccaneer."

Stuart Erwin's next two pictures will be "Small Town Boy" and "Face the Facts."

Harry Carey who made such a come-back in "The Last Outlaw," is to have a starring role in "Mexican Quarter."

Errol Flynn may have the lead in a remake of "The Sea Hawk" which was so excitingly done in 1934 by Milton Sills.

Mischa Aver of ape renown in "My Man, Godfrey," will be one of the leading comics in "Vogues of 1938."

Miriam Hopkins pictures in the future are to be of a lighter, gayer variety than most of those in which she has played during the past year or so. One of the new stories selected for Miss Hopkins is "Honeymoon in Reno."

Basil Rathbone dislikes being the villain of the piece which is such a pity, as Mr. Rathbone can portray that kind of a character so well and in such a realistic manner.

George Raft is to appear in another dancing picture. It will be entitled "On With the Dance." The two dance pictures in which he played were "Bolero" and "Rhumba."

Jimmy Ritz refused to be separated from his brothers for a lone part in "This Year's Kisses." As a result the script is being rewritten to accommodate the three of them.

Robert Taylor, Jean Harlow and Spencer Tracy are to do a comedy of the United States Marines.

Miriam Hopkins and Clark Gable have been selected as Scarlett O'Hara and Rhett Butler in "Gone with the Wind." Leslie Howard and Janet Gaynor will have the parts of Ashley Wilkes and Melanie.

The picture, "Gettysburg," which is on the order of "Gone With the Wind," is being produced by Paramount. Fred MacMurray has the lead.

Helen Wills Moody has been taking screen tests in Hollywood.

And now there is to be a "Pigskin Parade of 1937."

Robert Montgomery is to have a dramatic role in "Wedding Dress." Myrna Loy may be cast opposite him.

"A Queen at Fourteen" suggested by the life of Marie Antoinette, is being prepared for Deanna Durbin.

James Melton is asked to be released from his contract with Warner's and the studio agreed to let him go.

Jack Mulhall who was once a millionaire, co-starring in pictures with Dorothy MacKall, is now just a character actor on a small salary. He is still wearing a pair of shoes and a suit he bought ten years ago. They look good, despite their age, for the shoes cost \$25 and the suit \$200, when they were new.

Katherine Hepburn in "Quality Street" wears a dress that is fashioned of six hundred yards of Valenciennes lace. It took twenty-four dress-makers six days to complete the job.

Ida Lupino claims that her family have been actors for the last 600 years. Her father who was a ballet dancer, died on the stage at the age of 70 years, after completing one hundred spins as the finale of his act.

Robert Montgomery and Hugh Herbert are to be in "Ever Since Eve," starring Marion Davies.



TALKING OUT — LISTENING IN

THE question is frequently asked: What would we do without the telephone? We would do as most people do in many foreign countries where lack of communication facilities has held back national progress.

Just think, thirty years ago there were only six million telephones in the United States, but business advance and a rise in the standard of living increased the number to 11,700,000 in 1917, and approximately 14,500,000 today. One telephone to thirty-three people is the rate in France; one to eight people is Uncle Sam's rate.

And, as for radios, we have one to every six persons again the top record among the nations.

Bay St. Louis stands high in telephone usage and radio enjoyment—a city of practical progress.

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Bay St. Louis, Mississippi
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RID RAVENOUS RATS FROM FURTHER FEASTING PROMISCUOUSLY

Miss. State College Recommend Use of Red Squill—Averts Losses.

(Special to The Sea Coast Echo)
State College, Miss., March 23—An offer to assist Mississippians in cutting down about \$3,500,000 of property damage by rats annually is made by Robert B. Dean of the United States biological survey located here.

Dean, in charge of rat control for five states, including Mississippi, says that the modern Pied Piper is red squill, harmful only to rats but a sure lure when mixed with rodent delicacies.

To emphasize the tribute citizens of the state are paying to rats, Dean says the estimated annual loss amounts to 70,000 bales of cotton at \$50 per bale.

Three cities, taking advantage of survey and plant board assistance, have completed eradication campaigns, and Aberdeen has declared war on rats effective March 22. Laurel, Kosciusko, and Tupelo have finished.

The cost of getting rats out of the way is reasonable. Dean says it amounts to \$30 to \$35 per thousand population.

Furniture styles: upholstered, mix-but quiet colors, carpets, the same, lovely linens, delicate shades and bright colors, too.

Markets: Fresh meats, canned things, etc., all vegetables and wines.

The Register, the daily paper here, has a new fad: poetic puzzles. Each verse conceals a name with the letters in proper consecutive order. Here are two verses from different poems: the first has the name of a bird; the second the name of a Roman goddess.

It is hard to say who is most rich, The man with lots of dough; Or is it just the man who's poor, But happiness can show?

"A miner vanished from his pit, Where he'd been searching gold, They hunted high and low, But found his trail was cold."

Answers: Ostrich and Minerva. D. M. McCONNELL
Santa Ana, California.

Bill No. 20, Extraordinary Session of 1935.

And the Board being fully satisfied that petitioner is entitled to have said homestead exemption as herein provided, and that the Board should so order.

It is, therefore, ordered by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, that the petitioner, Mrs. Josephine Fiduccia, be and she is hereby granted the homestead exemption on the land set out in her petition, being a total reduction in assessment of State taxes only for the years 1936 and 1937.

It is further ordered that the Clerk of this Board certify two copies of this order to the State Tax Commission, for its approval or disapproval; and, if the foregoing order be approved by the State Tax Commission, the Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to change the copy in his possession, to conform with the provisions of this order.

This day came on for hearing and consideration by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, petition of Carry Smith, for a homestead exemption on the land set out in her petition, being a total reduction in assessment of State taxes only for the years 1936 and 1937.

It is further ordered that the Clerk of this Board certify two copies of this order to the State Tax Commission, for its approval or disapproval; and, if the foregoing order be approved by the State Tax Commission, the Clerk of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to change the copy in his possession, to conform with the provisions of this order.

And the Board being fully satisfied that petitioner is entitled to have said homestead exemption, as herein provided, and that the Board should so order.

It is, therefore, ordered by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, that the petitioner, Mrs. H. L. S. Hogan, be and she is hereby granted the homestead exemption on the land set out in her petition, being a total reduction in assessment of State Taxes only for the year 1936; and \$500 for the year 1937.

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